

REMARKS

In the Office Action of September 12, 2007, claims 1, 7, 12, 13, 19, 24, 25 and 29 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,424,345 ("Smith"), citing Figure 3 and column 4, line 61 – column 5, line 22 of Smith. Applicant disagrees with this rejection. Nevertheless, in order to clarify what is being claimed and to more clearly distinguish the claims from Smith, independent claims 1, 13 and 25 are amended herewith. Applicant submits that the claims as amended clearly distinguish over Smith. Therefore, Applicant submits that claims 1, 13 and 25, and claims 32-40 depending therefrom, are not anticipated by Smith.

Applicant further submits that new dependent claims 32-40 further distinguish the present invention over Smith.

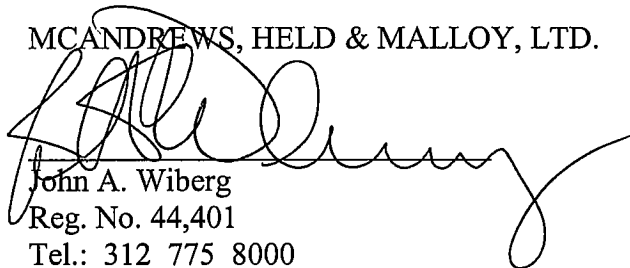
In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of claims 1, 13, 25 and 32-40.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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